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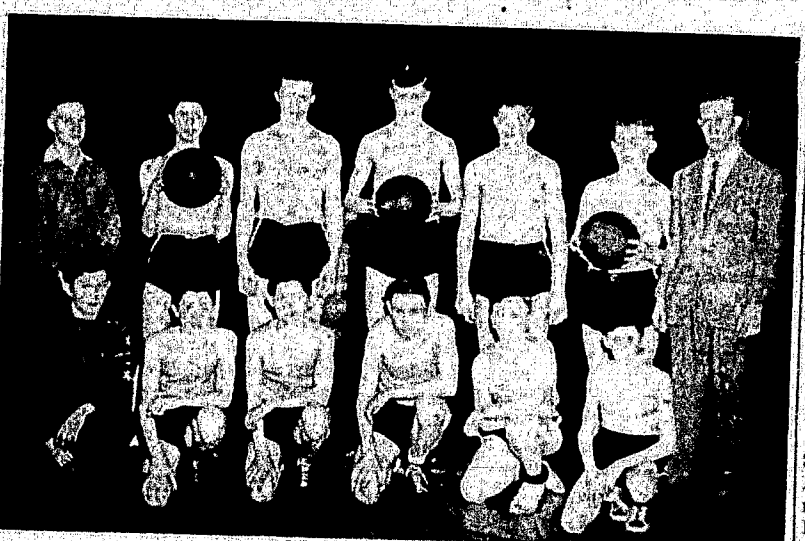
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B. G. S. TEAM HAS SUCCESSFUL SEASON



Front row (left to right) Asst. Mr. D. Bennett, Brown, Croteau, Tift, Enman, G Pratt, Back Row: Mr. Chadbourne, R Pratt, Capt. Lowell, Douglas, W Bennett, Coach Chaplain.

In only their second year of basketball, Bethel Grammar School has completed a highly successful season, being unbeaten in competition with grammar school fives. Featuring a strong passing attack and fine team play, the "Terrors" scored 460 points to their opponents' 293. The season's figures show that Capt. "Hoby" Lowell led the team in scoring, closely followed by center Dick Douglas, both ringing up over a hundred points. However, every boy on the varsity led in scoring in at least one game.

The starting line-up was composed of Roger Pratt and Eugene Brown, Jr., Wayne Bennett, 17; Dick Douglas, 16; Hoby Lowell, 16; Maurice Coulombe, 16. Other boys on the squad were Gerald Pratt, 15; Bobby Tift, 15; Solon Croteau and Walter Enman as guards.

Although six of the ten will graduate, if development of the remaining boys continues as rapidly as in the past B. G. S. should again give a good account of itself on the basketball court. The record: B. G. S. 52 Oxford 15 B. G. S. 35 Oxford 10 B. G. S. 29 St. Athanasius 27 B. G. S. 29 Gould J. Y's 21 B. G. S. 42 Norway 22 B. G. S. 35 South Paris 16 B. G. S. 29 Norway 14 B. G. S. 32 South Paris 27 B. G. S. 41 St. Athanasius 33 B. G. S. 47 Kingsfield 23 B. G. S. 33 Rumford 26 B. G. S. 43 Kingsfield 21 Won 12 Lost 1

GOULD ACADEMY NOTES

Accompanying Miss Ann Griggs supervisor of music, to Brattleboro, Vt., for a four-day stay at the New England Music Festival Concert, on Wednesday, March 19, are Nancy Barnard, Myra Stickney, Donald Lord, Gerry Linnell, Roy Lurvey, Gene Van, Barbara Galtbraith. These students, after three and a half days of strenuous rehearsal, will appear in the combined glee clubs and orchestras on Saturday, March 22.

The following seniors and juniors have been elected by vote of the faculty to the National Honor Society, on the basis of scholarship, character, school leadership and contribution to school life: Janice Bowman, Mary Plummer, Myra Stickney, Frances Vinton, Robert Judkins, Isabel Bennett, Marian Blake, Larry Clement, Randy Foster, Sally Stowell, Martha Waterhouse, Ruth Judkins, Louis Wood, Gertrude Penner, Sally Adams, Mark Rines. This prep school society is very much the same as the Phi Beta Kappa Society of colleges and universities and is one of the most highly prized of Gould honors.

ARSENault-LAPHAM

A quiet wedding was solemnized at St. Joseph's Church, Lewiston, March 7, at 2 P. M. when Miss Marion Pearl Lapham, daughter of Edward Lapham of Albany and the late Mrs. Lapham was united in marriage to Raymond Joseph Arsenault, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gloria Arsenault of Gorham. Rev. Francis A. Manthel officiated.

The bride wore a rose crepe dress with black accessories and a corsage of white roses and freesias. She was attended by Miss Rita Arsenault of Gorham as maid of honor, who wore a gray crepe dress with black accessories and a corsage of red roses. Raymond Walter of Bethel was best man.

Mrs. Arsenault attended the schools of Albany and was graduated from Gould Academy in the class of 1946. Since last October she has been a nurse's aid at the CMG Hospital.

Following a short wedding trip the young couple will reside at Lewiston.

BETHEL GIRLS DEFEAT WOODSTOCK HIGH

March 14, At the end of the first half, Woodstock was leading 21 to 14. The game ended a tie 14-14. During the third quarter, Bethel scored eight points, making the final score 22 to 14.

BETHEL GRAMMAR SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Grade 8, A Honor Roll: Lorraine Swain, Nancy Van Den Kerkhofen. B Honor Roll: Theodore Chadbourne, Lester Coolidge Jr., Ramona Hall, Carroll Luxton, Janet Mason, Alberta Merrill, Patricia Scribner, Charlotte Stevens, Laura Wilson.

Grade 7, A Honor Roll: Mary Stevens, B Honor Roll: Arnold Brown, Sally Brown, Patricia Davis, Madeline Emery, Janice Lord, Marilyn Mace, Viola Olson, Phyllis in Rolfe, Margery Rowe, Phyllis Smith.

Grade 6, A Honor Roll: Henrietta Swain, B Honor Roll: Arlene Bonnett, Carlton Brown, Phyllis Chadbourne, Geraldine Clough, Barbara Cole, Sylvia Dyke, Richard Emery, Mary Ann Hall, Susan Kneeland, Eleanor Mason, Marie Mills, William Penner, Joan Ward, Corice Wernenchuk.

Grade 5, B Honor Roll: Donna Anderson, Joan Bennett, Jeri Brown, Nancy Carver, Joan Conner, Lionel Coulombe, David Fleet, Paul Fossatt, Floyd Kimball Jr., Mary Ann Myers, Sheila Nary, Russell Nutting, Richard Onofelo, Roy Wernenchuk, Herbert Adams.

Grade 4, Carlton Brown, Kenneth Delano, Mary Dunham, Oakley Gordin, Gerald Harrington, Mark Mills, Beatrice Stevens, Louise Storey, Pearl Sweetser, Albert Taylor, Richard Waterhouse, Corice Wernenchuk.

Grade 3, Nancy Carver, Stanley Clough, Steven Clough, Joan Conner, Lionel Coulombe, Frank Flint, Robert Hutchinson, Arlan Jodrey, Mary Kneeland, Richard Littlefield, Alma Merrill, Russell Nutting, Janice Stearns, Stanley Walker, Herbert Adams.

SHOWER

Miss Robert Billings and Miss Beatrice Brown were co-hostesses of a St. Patrick's tea Monday afternoon at the former's home. A program in keeping with the holiday was enjoyed with prizes being won by Mrs. Clayton Bane, Mrs. Clayton Mills, and Mrs. Harry Sawlin. An original poem was read by Mrs. Henry Flint. Those present were: Mrs. Harry Jordan, Mrs. Robert Stearns, Mrs. O. A. Pratt, Mrs. Walter Jodrey, Mrs. Norris Brown, Mrs. Henry Flint, Mrs. A. Dan Forbes, Mrs. Vernon Brown, Mrs. Harry Sawlin, Mrs. Clayton Mills, Mrs. Wallace Coolidge, Mrs. Clayton Bane, Douglas Bane, Mrs. Edward Casey, Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. Josephine Parker, Miss Algill Hill, Mrs. Henry Godwin, Mrs. Leroy Bennett, Mrs. Chester Briggs, Mrs. Gladys Bane. Those sending gifts but unable to be present were: Miss Julia Brown, Mrs. Roy Hoddlon, Mrs. Carl Brown, Mrs. Mildred Wilbur, Mrs. Fred Edwards, Mrs. E. E. Barnard, Miss Ida Packard, Mrs. Marion Tyler, Mrs. Norwood Waterhouse, Mrs. John Meserve, Miss Sylvia Bird, and Mrs. Wade Thurston.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mrs. Nora Holborn of West Paris is announcing the engagement of her daughter, Elaine Margaret, to Frank E. Packard, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Packard of West Paris.

Miss Holborn received her education in the schools of Lewell, Bethel, and is now a student at West Paris High School.

Mr. Packard attended school at Woodstock and West Paris. He served three years in the Merchant Marine and is now employed at Forster Mfg. Co. in Strong, Me. The wedding will take place this summer.

GOULD HONOR PARTS ANNOUNCED

Headmaster Elwood F. Ireland announced the following students at opening exercises Monday morning as highest ranking speakers for Commencement: valedictorian, Frances Vinton, Lovell, Maine; salutatorian, Janice Bowman, Stratford, Conn.; third honor, Mary Plummer, Buffalo, New York. All three students averaged over ninety percent in their scholastic work at Gould.

ARTHUR D BEAN

Arthur D. Bean, 46, died suddenly late Monday afternoon of a heart attack at his home on the Norway Lake Road, where he had been living since 1930.

Mr. Bean was born at Albany, Sept. 17, 1870 the son of Ephraim and Mary A. Johnson Bean. He was a member of Franklin Masonic Lodge No. 123 at New Sharon and New Sharon Grange No. 238 P. O. H. He was a farmer.

Besides his widow Florence Hazleton Bean, he leaves two sisters, Ada Lord and Cora Sawlin of Bethel, and a nephew, Glyndon Sawlin of Wilton and several cousins.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon from the Raymond Funeral Home, Norway. Entombment at Norway Pine Grove cemetery.

GEORGE WHEELER

George Wheeler died Tuesday morning, after a few months of failing health.

He was born Nov. 1, 1891 at Haverhill, N. H., the son of the late Horace and Clara Winchester Wheeler. He came to Bethel a few years ago and was employed at a local restaurant.

He is survived by his widow, the former Hazel Grover and small son, Michael; four sisters and two brothers. Funeral services were held Thursday from Greenleaf Funeral Home, Roy Charles Meyer officiating. Interment at Pine Grove cemetery, West Bethel.

SUPERIOR COURT

Oxford County Superior Court which convened at Rumford, Me., Justice Edward P. Murray presiding, adjourned on Tuesday of last week.

The 18 judgments handed down by the grand jury included Charles Crouse and Joseph Thurgood of Waterford, charging by false pretenses on five counts; Elmer Stone, Bath, breaking, entering and larceny; Converse Heath, larceny; Russell Copp and Orville W. Connors of Bath, larceny; Avarad Charter, Camden, and Russell Copp, Bath, larceny; Clarence C. Forrest, Bath, drawing fraudulent checks and cheating by false pretenses; Albert Boitche of South Portland, cheating by false pretenses; Alford Spiera, Saddle Island, larceny; Edwin A. Hemingway, Bath, negligent shooting; Earl Tibbitts, South Portland, larceny; Leo Yates, Norway, breaking, entering and larceny; William Clavet of Lewiston, larceny.

Six sentences were handed down Friday, four being for the county jail. They are: Clarence Forrest of Bath, for drawing fraudulent checks, six months; Charles Crouse of Waterford, cheating under false pretenses, six months; Lloyd At Billings, larceny, two months.

Joseph H. Fontaine was sentenced from two to four years in State Prison for cheating under false pretenses.

William Clavet of Lewiston, and Converse Heath were sentenced to the men's reformatory on larceny charges.

Leo Yates of Norway, and Richard Lewis of Mexico, were placed on probation for two years. Yates for breaking, entering and larceny, and Lewis for breaking and entering.

Me and Mrs. William Moffet of Mexico, pleaded not guilty to a charge of manslaughter. They were placed under \$10,000 bail and committed for trial on May 15. In the death of their infant daughter, Nancy, on Jan. 25, alleged the couple willfully neglected to provide sustenance and proper medical attention for the child.

Mrs. Lorraine Erb, of Canton, was placed on two years probation after pleading guilty to two indictments alleging assault with intent to kill Mrs. Harold Rosenberg, Mrs. Nellie H. Burdett, both of whom suffered pistol wounds in a quarrel at the Burdett home Oct. 17.

Edwin Hemingway, Bath, charged with negligent shooting, pleaded guilty and was fined \$100.

Russell Copp, Bath, and Avarad Charter of Camden, were each fined \$50 on larceny charges.

Albert Cornier of Rumford was sentenced to three months in the county jail for adultery. On the same charge, Radio Lowell of Rumford, was placed on two years probation.

Albert Cornier of Rumford was sentenced to two months in the county jail on a larceny charge. The case of William Douglas charged with larceny, was not reached.

Divorce decrees signed Tuesday afternoon were:

Viola Meserve vs. Herbert Meserve for cruel and abusive treatment, and further decreed that the

EASTER SEAL SALE TO AID CRIPPLED CHILDREN

Crippled children in Maine are counting on your purchase of Easter Seals to provide them with a chance to be like other kids. These gaily colored labels on each letter you write during the Easter season will mean new life and hope for crippled children.

Have you noticed the tiny boy pictured on the 1947 Easter Seal? This lad walks up a path to a distant star with a crutch under one arm, Frank Gross, high school student, Janesville, Wis., designed this seal in full colors.

Any contribution to this splendid cause will be greatly appreciated by your local and state committees.

It might be interesting to many who are not acquainted with the facts that one Bethel boy and a former Bethel youngster are made happier and healthier each summer by their stay at the camp maintained by this organization.

Everyone may participate in these services through the purchase of Easter Seals, providing funds for the work which brings happiness and Easter joy to crippled children.

Libelle pay the libellant the sum of \$2,500 in full payment and in libellant shall have the privilege to resume her former name of Viola L. Brown.

Pearl V. Curtis vs. William H. Curtis for cruel and abusive treatment.

Madeline Roberts vs. Edward H. Roberts, for cruel and abusive treatment.

Ethel Cash vs. Harold P. Cash, for cruel and abusive treatment, care and custody of minor children given libellant.

Lurline M. Gardner vs. Edwin M. Braden, for cruel and abusive treatment.

Corrine West vs. Herman West, for cruel and abusive treatment; care and custody of minor children decreed to father, the said Herman West. The mother, Corrine West, to have the right to see said children at reasonable times.

Leona Millet vs. Harold W. Millet, for cruel and abusive treatment, care and custody of minor children given libellant.

Lillian C. Braden vs. Harold H. Braden, for cruel and abusive treatment; the libellant given the right to resume maiden name of Lillian C. Wing.

Sebra E. Kimball vs. Herbert W. Kimball, for cruel and abusive treatment, custody of minor children given libellant.

Robert E. Chase vs. Marie Chase, for cruel and abusive treatment.

Nelson A. Chamberlain vs. Irene A. Chamberlain, for cruel and abusive treatment; custody of children decreed to libellant, with libellea having the right to visit the children at reasonable times.

Muriel R. Sabine vs. Merland Sabine, for cruel and abusive treatment; custody of minor child given libellant.

Mary R. Cote vs. Norman H. Cote, for cruel and abusive treatment; custody of minor children given libellant.

Gordon Ellis vs. Geneva G. Ellis, for cruel and abusive treatment; custody of minor child decreed to libellant.

Mary E. Hayes vs. Francis Hayes, for gross and confirmed habits of intoxication.

Albina J. Alankas vs. John A. Alankas, for cruel and abusive treatment.

Fred S. Swan vs. Ruth M. Swan, for cruel and abusive treatment; custody of minor child decreed to libellant.

Beverly J. Pelletier vs. Armand L. Pelletier, for cruel and abusive treatment; custody of minor child decreed to libellant.

Silver S. Raymond vs. Albert P. Raymond, for cruel and abusive treatment.

Mary E. Nichols vs. William H. Nichols, for cruel and abusive treatment; custody of minor child given libellant.

Edith M. Clark vs. Percy L. Clark, for cruel and abusive treatment.

Josephine T. Whitman vs. Robert A. Whitman, for cruel and abusive treatment; custody of minor children decreed to libellant.

Gertrude Jack-walk vs. Herman Jack-walk, for cruel and abusive treatment.

Phyllis L. Gubbault vs. Raymond A. Gubbault, for cruel and abusive treatment; custody of children given libellant.

Velma T. Cole vs. Cyrus E. Cole, for cruel and abusive treatment.

Mary E. Goodwin vs. Charles P. Goodwin, for cruel and abusive treatment; custody of minor children decreed to libellant.

Gertrude Kroth vs. Carl Kroth, alias Charles Kroth, for utter desertion. Custody of minor children decreed to libellant.

Edward A. Luck Jr. vs. Evelyn S. Luck, for cruel and abusive treatment.

Thomas F. Mariner vs. Frank F. Mariner, for cruel and abusive treatment.

Mary Freeman vs. George Freeman, for cruel and abusive treatment; custody of minor child decreed to libellant.

Joan Smith vs. Earl D. Smith, for cruel and abusive treatment; custody of minor children decreed to libellant.

Naturalizations

Twelve were naturalized at this term of court. Peter Hakkarainen.

BETHEL CITIZENS BACK GOULD TEAM FOR BOSTON TRIP

Under the chairmanship of William C. Chapman 2nd, a committee of Bethel citizens has raised a fund among the town's business men and friends of Gould Academy to send the varsity basketball squad with Coach Ordell Anderson and Manager Billy O'Brien, to Boston on Thursday, March 20, for a three day trip, with all expenses paid.

The town is doing this in recognition of the fine record Coach Anderson's charges made in the season just completed. Although losing to a sharp South Paris team in the finals of the Oxford County tournament, the Gould Maine team went to capture the Western Maine tournament and then to lose a heart breaker to Patten in the finals of the State championships for class "B" schools.

The boys will see all the games in the New England tournament, at the Boston Garden, returning to Bethel and their various homes for the Spring vacation on Sunday, March 23. Those making the trip are: Coach Anderson, Manager O'Brien, Bob Parsons, Jack Libby, Dave Foster, Jerry Davis, Louis Wood, Wayne Allen, Rob Hamilton, Ted Young, Larry Bennett.

Syll LeClair and Kimball Ames were in Augusta Wednesday last week to attend a hearing on an increase of the gas tax.

The Contract Club was entertained by Mrs. Clayton Fossett Monday evening, Mrs. John Howe substituted.

Mrs. Herbert Rowe received high score for the evening. Refreshments were served. It was decided not to meet next week because of Easter vacation and Mrs. Laurence Lord will entertain the club March 31.

Addison Saunders Jr. was host to the cast of the eighth grade play at a buffet supper Monday evening at his home. A social evening with dancing was enjoyed. Those present were: Wayne Bennett, Robert Tift, Davene Marble, Richard Douglas, Peggy Champlain, Alberta Olson, Theodore Chadbourne, Maurice Coulombe, Roger Pratt, Nancy Cummings, Laurice Lord, Principal Chapman, Miss Helen Varner and the host.

Word has been received of the birth of a son, March 18 to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Marshall, at Corpus Christi, Texas. The Marshalls are formerly of Bethel.

Bear River Grange No. 285 Newry, will meet Saturday evening. Members will wear old fashioned clothes and bring heirlooms. East Bethel Grange has been invited to attend.

Earl S. Williamson Jr. and Albert B. Bartlett are on the Dean's List of honor students at the U of M for the Fall Semester. Both are juniors. Williamson majoring in chemical engineering.

What was in play at the Sunset Rebekah Lodge card party at Bethel Friday evening. High scores were held by Mrs. Leon Enman and Mrs. Hutchins. Consolation went to Mrs. Edna Smith and Frank Hunt.

Miss Constance Philbrick entertained the Thirteen Club Thursday evening. Substitutes were Mrs. Wilbur Byers and Mrs. Robert Scott.

Mrs. Frances Noyes received the prize for high score and Mrs. Ben and Seathorne the consolation prize.

Now, up to date, reprints of the charter and by-laws of the Bethel Village Corporation have been mailed to the village taxpayers. A few extra copies are available at the office of Henry Hastings, 1st Assessor.

Twenty-six students from Gould Academy, representing the Science Club, attended the Bates College Exhibit Friday evening in Lewiston. They were accompanied by Theodore Emery, Science teacher at Gould, Mr. and Mrs. Gayle A. Foster also attended from the Academy.

Members of the Bethel Girl Scout Troop No. 1 and their guests enjoyed a dancing party at the Community Room Friday evening. The troop leader, Mrs. Nary, was unable to be present because of illness.

Mrs. Herbert Rowe, assistant leader, was assisted by Mrs. Earl Davis and Mrs. Gerald Kneeland.

Sunset Rebekah Lodge held a roll call meeting Monday evening at the I. O. O. F. Hall. Following this business meeting the group was entertained at the home of Mrs. Gladys Bane. Refreshments were served. Obligation Night in charge of Mrs. Henry Godwin will be held at the next meeting, April 7.

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Republican Party Control Shifting

Taft Swings to Right As GOP Senate Leader

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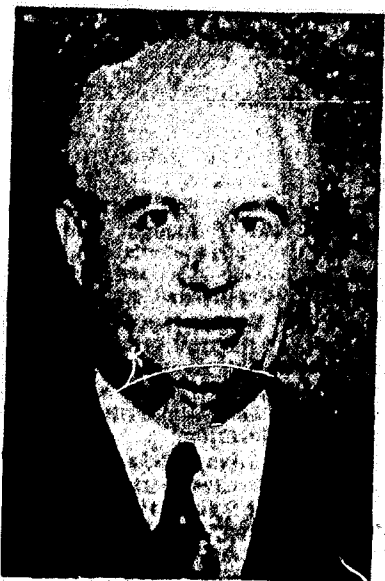
WASHINGTON. —Recently the keen ears of the master politicians on Capitol Hill have been tuned to some strange squeaks and rattles developing in the otherwise smoothly running Republican senate machinery. It is confidently predicted on the Democratic side of the aisle that "Chauffeur" Taft who had pretty easy going in the driver's seat up until the latter part of February will have to jump out and tinker under the hood more than once.

From now on, observers say, there are going to be a lot more orders from the back seat.

When the gentleman from Ohio took over after the November elections even the old-timers sat up and took notice of the way he assumed charge. He just shuffled the deck and dealt himself the cards he wanted; chairman of the policy committee, chairman of the labor committee which was going to direct labor legislation on what had been almost the No. 1 issue of the day; chairman of the committee which handles the new economic report. Under the reorganization act, this report must



Baukhage

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Dark Horse in Lead

be submitted annually to congress by the President's economic council.

With reasonable support from party stalwarts and with these powerful chairmanships in his hands it looked as though the senior senator from the Buckeye state easily could

ride herd on the party vote, delivering it when and where he wished. But did you ever try to ride a horse or drive a cow with a large sized bumble-bee leaping from forehead to buttock or from eud to rump? Not so easy, and no bumble-bee ever buzzed or stung like the apta president.

Early in January I reminded you of the trouble the presidential bee was expected to cause when I quoted Republican National Committee-man Clarence Budington Kelland's remark:

"I don't think you are going to see the matter (Republican candidacy) fall at all until Ohio decides whether it's going to be Taft or Bricker." And it hasn't jelled. Although it was predicted Bricker would bow out, he has refused to bow. Quite the contrary, it is Taft who is bowing—not out, but to the demands of the right wing of the party. (Taft's friends insist Bricker will exit at the right moment.)

But Taft's first obstacle was made toward the end of the Lilliensthal hearings. He announced his opposition to the confirmation of the TVA head and did it with such absence of the famous Taft logic that eyebrows went up all over the place. The reason for departing from the common sense path that his superior intellect usually dictates soon became evident. Simultaneously his control of the party in the senate began to slip.

That was seen in the vote on the budget. In that case Taft took what most people considered the sensible, middle-of-the-road course. The four and a half billion cut rather than the six billion urged by the house.

What happened to force Taft's anti-Lilliensthal statement? Well, a certain conservative commentator talked with Taft—criticized what he implied was a dangerous lack of conservatism for a prospective standard-bearer of GOP. Then, a well-known columnist came forth with the story that some of the powerful backers of the Republican party enlisted the support of a number of Republican lawmakers in the anti-Lilliensthal movement. They began to whisper that perhaps Bricker would represent sounder, safer, saner views for the presidency. Taft heard the whisper and came out emphatically, if not too convincingly, against Lilliensthal.

About that time the Roper poll revealed the percentage of preference for various Republican potential candidates, against Truman. And lo, all the rest, Dewey, Vandenberg, Stassen, Bricker, led Taft.

That doesn't mean that Taft will be last in the hearts of the delegates to the Republican national convention in 1948, but wisecracks are saying it does mean that Taft no longer will call the turn on legislation.

Aim To Crack 'Iron Curtain'

There is much more evidence of the cracking of the so-called "iron curtain," the impression may get about soon that it is a pretty porous protection of the secrets of the Soviets.

Recently I was walking the corridors of the state department with one of its officials. "How long," I asked him, "do you expect the Kremlin to permit you people and the British, with your American and British propaganda magazines and pamphlets and your broadcasts, to poison Ivan and his Tovarishes, with this western poison?"

"Oh," he replied, "they won't stop us."

"Why not?" I inquired. "They can't," was his answer.

British Broadcasting Company has been beaming broadcasts on Russia in Russian in the Russian language for a year or more. BBC reports that the programs have been well received and that the effort is worth while. The state department began its broadcasts last month. Some of its officials believe that it is worth the millions it will cost to continue them. The first program had few listeners; it was criticized. It is being tailored according to listener comment. There is no way for the Russians to know about the programs, since notices of them, except by announcement over BBC, appears in no Russian paper.

How is it the Russians permit it at all? And even if they don't put obstacles in the way, will the Russians listen? Are there enough radio sets with short-wave receivers to make up a worth while potential audience?

These are the questions I asked. I'll try to give some of the answers. As to the Russian attitude, it seems negative. When the British first talked about broadcasting to Russia a Russian official is reported to have said "We have tried to cooperate with you. You have your kind of democracy. You have your freedom of speech. So we have cooperated with you by sending you broadcasts in English from Russia. We have our kind of democracy. We do not believe in freedom of speech. So we hope you will cooperate with

our kind of democracy by NOT broadcasting to us."

If that wasn't actually said, it ought to have been. It is too good to be untrue.

The British did not cooperate. Neither did 11 other countries, including Ecuador, which, along with the United States, are all now beaming their programs on Russia. I don't know about the others, but the British seem to have quite a following and since the Russian people are more interested in America than in any other country, I see no reason why the state department's effort shouldn't be quite as successful.

What are the chances? In the first place, radio listening has been developed in Russia. People are encouraged to have sets and they are short-wave sets because short-wave is the communication method used by the Russian government. That's because of the great distance. How many have sets? When Averell Harriman was there he made an estimate of 75,000 sets. A later estimate put the figure as 75,000 to a million.

SEEK DIRECT ACTION

WASHINGTON.—As a means of securing action on resolutions approved during their four-day meeting here, delegates to the national conference of American Small Business organizations tramped Capitol corridors to present their views directly to their home-state congressmen.

The 300 delegates, some of whom represented "just themselves" while others acted as spokesmen for associations with thousands of members, spoke of diverse difficulties.

An Illinois food machinery manufacturer complained of labor troubles. An Oregon lumberman hoped for a better break from the government on timberland leases. "Big company monopolies" drew the ire of a St. Louis tire dealer, and a



VOICES OF PROTEST? . . . Perhaps the idea of living in the United States doesn't appeal to these English war babies, who put up quite a howl on arrival in New York aboard a transport ship.

NEWS REVIEW

Lewis Conviction Upheld; Pact Aimed at Germany

JUDICIARY:

Curb Lewis

The Supreme court decision against John L. Lewis and the United Mine Workers has been regarded as one of the momentous verdicts in American history, definitely establishing the power and dignity of the courts in civil affairs.

By a 7 to 2 ruling, the court cracked down on Lewis' and the UMW's open flaunting of Circuit Judge Goldsborough's order calling for a suspension of the recent soft coal strike to provide additional time for working on an agreement. In his majority opinion, Chief Justice Vinson wrote:

"The interests of orderly government demand respect and compliance be given to orders issued by courts. . . . In our complex society there is a great variety of limited loyalties, but the overriding loyalty of all is to our country and to the institutions under which a particular interest may be pursued. . . ."

To emphasize the gravity of the offense, the court sustained Lewis' fine of \$10,000 and placed the UMW fine at \$700,000.

EUROPE:

Hem in Reich

Even before determination of the future design of Germany, the major powers are proceeding to build a ring of steel around the reich to guard against a revived German state waging a third war of aggression.

The British and French forged the first link with a 50-year alliance.



NO PLACE LIKE HOME! . . . When the Eskimo family of Toby Aniaksook was brought to New York for a sportman's show, the father fashioned a makeshift igloo for son, Okeyahok, in a snowdrift. The four-day, 18-month-old Okeyahok objected vociferously to the housing project.

pledging the two countries to go to each other's assistance in the event of an attack by Germany or any other country. At the same time, the two allies agreed to integrate their economies to build an industrial base for war and promote the exchange of goods.

France's declaration that she would offer the same terms to other major powers led to speculation whether the treaty would implement the U. S. proposal for a defensive alliance of the Big Four against the threat of future German resurgence. Thus far, Russia has shied away from the U. S. proposition, but has been dicker with Britain for a mutual aid pact.

Holland and Belgium were expected to act favorably upon the French invitation to consummate a similar defensive and economic pact. On the other hand, Poland and Czechoslovakia were expected to look to Moscow for instructions on negotiating such a treaty.

CONGRESS:

Doom OPA

Long the whipping boy for public and politician alike, OPA was headed for the discard by June 30 because of congressional limitation of its funds. The office of temporary controls, established last December as the supervisory agency over remaining wartime regulatory bureau, also was scheduled to go.

With abolition of OPA, it was reported that rent control would be transferred to the department of commerce and sugar control to the department of agriculture. Because of the scarcity of housing and sugar in the face of tremendous demand, legislators continued to favor their regulation to prevent hardship and skyrocketing prices.

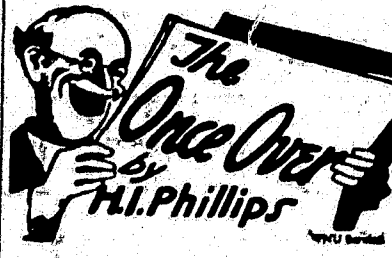
While the Republican minority continued to ride herd in the house and threatened to put OPA out of business before June 30 by refusing a deficiency appropriation and chopping nine million dollars from previous appropriations, the senate provided funds for closing out the agency within the next three months. As a result of these differences, the bill was sent to a senate-house conference for settlement of terms.

MEAT:

Consumer Pressure

During the extensive debates over decontrolling meat, arguments flew thick and fast whether strict government control or the law of supply and demand constituted the best method of keeping retail prices within bounds.

Little was heard of consumer sense, but consumer sense it is that has been keeping meat prices within reasonable levels in recent weeks, packers report. Much as people like pork, they have been passing it up for cheaper cuts of beef, and many butchers have been following the line of least resistance in serving customers.



Squiddyunk Creek Notes

Squiddyunk Creek.—Eph Button, chairman of the drive for Better Understanding, was arrested last night after a fight with a fellow autoist at a traffic crossing. . . . Chad Bennett re-enlisted in the army last week following news that his wife's family planned to visit him and Mrs. Bennett in their Quonset hut. . . . "Sparrow" Muncie came into quite a windfall recently. . . . He inherited a set of skid chains and a storage battery.

Chet Bozzie's three kids shot Chet, bludgeoned Mrs. Bozzie, set fire to the house and strangled a cow yesterday following an afternoon and evening of listening to juvenile radio programs. . . . Mrs. Hattie Skoggins is in town having her character made over by a What's Your Problem program. . . . There was quite a sensation at Bunnell's opera house the other night when a heavily advertised show turned out not to be a revival.

Plymouth church and two school-houses were sacked and badly damaged the other night by children returning from a double crime feature at the Acme movie house. . . . "Zeb" Hawkins' mother celebrated her 99th birthday anniversary by falling out of an airplane. . . . Dimmick's drug store has put in a fine spring line of plows, barn paints, hunting supplies and fish dinners.

Charge Account on the 'Katy'

"The Katy" railroad announces that it will sell transportation by charge accounts. It will deliver tickets to your home and bill you for everything later, including meals.—News item.

Upon the "Katy" I would ride—I needn't put the cash aside; It's fun to travel choo-choo-choo—And simply give an IOU—To see the plains and mountains high, And say, "I'll pay you bye-and-bye." To round a curve and climb a hill, And smile, "Just put 'em on my bill!"

What joy the ten-fifteen to mount, And do it on a charge account, How nice to get the twelve-oh-three, And know the road is trusting me! To know the "upper" and the climb Are things that can be had "on time!" That if a drawing room one seeks, There'll be no bill for weeks and weeks!

BACK HOME STUFF

We had our annual sleigh ride back home the other day, and nothing that ever happened in "Pickwick Papers" was much funnier. . . . We hauled out the cutter which we bought at the Milford church auction last spring and got a horse, Queenie, from Tex Neuen's stables. . . . Not having harnessed a critter in years, we must have gone wrong somewhere, for, while zooming along Cherry street nicely the sleigh hit a dry spot on the road and Queenie went right out from between the shafts. . . . There we were in the cutter, with the horse galloping 300 yards away! The business of catching the mare amused the townfolk no end. . . . Then we had to phone for Tex to scurry over with some haywire and install her between the shafts on a permanent basis. (We are going to get even with the fellow who put "Oh, What Fun It Is to Ride in a One-Hoss Open Sleigh" on his Victrola and opened the window as we got underway again.)

RECIFE FOR SUCCESS, 1947

Seek the spotlight, Act with brass And always smile like A silly lass.

CAN YOU REMEMBER

Horror-car fare . . . five cents.
Haircut and shave . . . Twenty-five cents.
Regular dinner . . . Thirty-five cents.
Biggest glass of beer in town . . . Five cents.
Two cocktails . . . Two bits.
Shoeshine . . . Five cents.
Ball game . . . Twenty-five cents.
Mistle . . . Ten cents.
Three pounds of pork chops, with liver for the cat . . . thirty-five cents.
—Louie the Lug.

You can get some idea of the queer quirks in our economic picture when a midget car designed to be within reach of the masses is on the market for \$1,000.

There has been a lot of discussion over whether or not the voice of a powerful singer can break a glass. There is not even room for an argument. Elmer Twitchell says that whenever he sings, three or four glasses break, together with a plate or two and a pitcher. "Mrs. Twitchell never misses," he explains.

We think there might be less trouble at U. N. meetings if somebody went ahead of the delegates to clear out the mine fields.

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

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FUMBLING, CORRUPTION MARK U.S. GOVERNMENT OF GERMANY

WASHINGTON.—Here is an inside unofficial report on Germany, Japan and the American occupations (paraphrased conversationally) from an army man who has studied both sectors. Keep this one for your scrapbooks, because the top men are said to be growing alive to the deplorable situation it presents concerning the occupation of Germany. In line with it, General Marshall may change policy in the Moscow talks for a German treaty, and the army certainly will be induced to make some corrections at least, if it does not overturn its German setup. Here it is:

The occupation of Japan is nearly perfect. This has been accomplished because the Japanese are behind General MacArthur, not only 100 per cent, but (in true Nipponese fashion) about 101 per cent. Industries have been restored and are functioning as well as anyone expects. There are some defects, but Japan is considerably supporting herself.

Far more important, the American soldier in Japan is a model. The officers have no trouble on looting, black markets or even much on morality. Following the guidance set forth by MacArthur, they are cooperating with the people, and the people with them.

In Germany, the occupation is disgraceful. It is a disgrace to American arms and administration. About 45 per cent of the occupation army, numbering nearly 200,000, are kids of less than 21 years of age. Another 30 or 35 per cent are repeaters, lads who came back to the states, could not get or did not want a job, knew of the conditions of black marketing and looting in Central Europe, and went back.

NO WORKABLE PLAN

But these kids and men are not to be held responsible for the corruption of the army of occupation. The men in charge should have set down an efficient program from the beginning, as MacArthur did. Their trouble was that after the war they did not know what to do. They had no occupation formula such as MacArthur developed. So they turned for guidance to propaganda from home, and the most vociferous of the public here demanded swift denazification of any and all Germans, retributive punishment and other steps which have kept Germany from supporting herself. Denazification is all right, as a theory. I feel that way myself. But nearly everyone who knew how to run factories and business operations naturally was connected with the Nazi party one way or another, so what we have done is to "debusinessize" Germany in the process. It would have been far better if we had required some Nazis who knew how to do things, to work for us.

However you may look at this angle, our basic defect is that we did not improvise a workable plan for Germany because our commanders had not studied and did not know the German people. (MacArthur's aides had really studied Japan during the war.)

The Russian occupation is worse yet. The Reds came in and took everything they could lay their hands on. They even took alkali wall paper off the walls. In the Berlin subway they made off with so much of the machinery that we had to go after them, and get some of it back in order to put the subway in operation. But particularly they took machinery of all kinds. I suppose their idea was to take it back to Russia and operate it, but much of it still is standing out on German sidings.

WE MUST START OVER

Their soldiers operate just about on the mentality of our youngsters. They had some trouble with discipline at first. The papers now say this is straightened out. I would not know. But their operations in Germany show them to have done in general the first class job of sabotage our college boys might try on the night of the big game.

At best, you would have to call their occupation policy "short-sighted realism." They took everything, and now they cannot use it. They ruined the German production system completely. What they should have done was to use it, make the Germans run it and produce enough for the German people and the army of occupation.

What should we do about all this? I thought a good deal about this on my trip when I had plenty of time to think. The only conclusion I could reach was that we should clean out our whole occupation system and start all over.

The army of occupation would be far more efficient if it were cut from over 200,000 down to a bare nucleus of say possibly 500. We need no more than this to do the top jobs of policing. Then we should employ both Germans and Poles (refugees escaped from Russian domination) to fill out the army.

LAST LOVER

BY Helen Topping Miller

Jill McFarlane, whose father, Richard, disappeared in World War I, falls in love with Spang Gordon. He tells her that her brother, Ric, is seeing a divorcee and she is upset to find the woman in question, Sandra Calvert, is an older, hardened woman. Spang says good-bye and later, while riding with Dave Patterson, a family friend, she is thrown from her horse and taken to the hospital. That night Richard returns home. He tells her mother, Julia, that he assumed a new name, that of Captain Mackey, and is stationed at the same camp as Ric. Julia is heartbroken that he never acknowledged his children and is determined to keep them from knowing the truth.

CHAPTER XI

"What do you want me to say, Jill? I've told you that there's nothing wrong between Dave and me. I'm sorry if I look worried, but I'm trying to run a farm under pretty serious difficulties. I have a son gone off to war, and I'm not as young as you are."

Jill sighed. "You're certainly a devilishly stubborn female. Dooley McFarlane." Then she raised her head suddenly, and her eyes widened and blackened with panic. "Dooley, is it Ric? Has something happened?"

"What could happen? I haven't even had a letter from Ric. What made you say that, Jill?" she asked, her voice sharpening a little.

"Well, knowing Ric's capacity for getting himself into jams and your capacity for suffering about them, it was a logical question, wasn't it?"

"Logical enough. But why the panicky attack? Do you know something about Ric that I don't know?"

"No." Jill kept her eyes on the ceiling. "I told you—I only saw him for a few minutes. He had some kind of duty."

She could not add the blonde Mrs. Calvert to Dooley's mental burden now. When Ric was shipped out from Ridley Field that would all end, anyway.

"Dooley, if you sent Spang a registered letter telling him about me, it would be forwarded, wouldn't it?"

"I don't know much about army routine, Jill. You'll hear from him, won't you, when he has a definite address?"

"I don't know. He might be where he couldn't write, maybe for weeks—might be for months. Dooley—he kissed me good-bye!" Tears squeezed between Jill's guarded eyelids.

"That makes you one of the great company of women who wait, then. And your job is to wait patiently, and not worry Spang with a broken arm that will be healed before he hears about it."

"The trouble is, I don't know what I'm waiting for."

"You aren't engaged to your lieutenant, then?"

"No—he just kissed me and said to keep that till he came back. And, Dooley—sometimes they don't come back! Father didn't come back!"

She did not see the quick, drained spasm that changed her mother's face into a hollow mask of torment.

"That's part of it, Jill. That's what I wanted to spare you, if I could."

"It wasn't your fault that I fell head over heels. I did it with my eyes open. And I'm willing to pay. I won't weep, no matter what life hands me. I'm a McFarlane, like you. But not to have anything! You had memories—you had Ric and me. I have nothing!"

John I. Denounces His Son

Memories! Julia caught herself before she laughed aloud. Memories that burned and shamed. "I had my children, she controlled her voice. "But there were times before your grandfather came and got us when I didn't know what you were going to eat. I was younger than you, I had always been taken care of, I hadn't even any common sense. There are compensations, Jill. Personally, I think your Spang an extraordinarily wise and decent young man. He was taking care of you. Not many men have the strength and foresight to do that when they fall in love."

"But—I don't even know that he did fall in love, Dooley! If you think he's being noble, I'll try to think that, too. But listen, we needn't have two torn women in one house. You go ahead and marry Dave."

Julia started a little. Then she said, "Dave hasn't asked me. It would be more maidenly to wait until he did, don't you think? I'm going now, darling. Your grandfather and I are still trying to run a farm."

She had to tell Dave. That thought was heavy on her mind and heart as she drove the station-wagon through the town. Dave did not know, as yet, that Richard McFarlane had come back.

Sharing the weight of this new problem with him would be a relief, though not kind to Dave. She could not talk to Richard's father. The old man had withdrawn into a savage mood of gloom, and her attempts to draw him out of it had only irritated him; she could not hurt him any more.

There was a personal humiliation for John I. McFarlane in the situation, a sense of responsibility that showed in his haunted eyes and uncertain gestures. He had stared at her once, trying to ease his own torment, she knew.

"If you had let me go ahead as I wanted to, you'd be in a decent position now," he had snapped. "You'd have the advantage."

"But Richard isn't dead," Julia reminded him. "Richard is still Richard, he's still your son, he's still my husband, even if for years he has been living a lie."

"I have no son!" he cried, his throat working. "I never had a son! I spawned a creature—something with no honor, no manhood. I owe the world an apology for that mischance. But I will not dignify Richard McFarlane by owning him as my son. He has thrown away his name. He has thrown away his wife and children, he can throw his father away, too!"

He had marched out with his back stiff, and Julia had resisted the impulse to follow and comfort him.

She was something they must each bear alone. She with her hurried anxieties and mortification, and this proud, stricken old man with his bitter memories.

She would talk to Dave now, she decided. He was sitting in his little caddy in the bank, when she went in, the niche where he met farmers and handled crop loans and mortgages. He looked up at her with a twinkling smile and sprang quickly to his feet, to pull out a chair for her.

"Sit down, Dooley. How's Jill?"

"She's quite unhappy, but that will pass. The arm is healing nicely. Are you busy, Dave? Will you be free soon?"

"I'm free now if you need me. Something wrong, Dooley?"

"I want to talk to you. Could we go out and sit in my car?"

Dave reached for his hat, slammed a drawer shut.

"Come along," he said.

Julia started the station-wagon when Dave had climbed up beside her.

"It's too hot to sit still. I'll find a shady place. Or I'll keep driving."

"Find a shady place. Don't wear out your tires."

Dave asked no questions. He did not hurry her. That hurt, too, his sensitive understanding of her mood.

Dave Is Told About Richard

"Dave, Richard is alive."

There was a sharp silence, so intense that Julia's skin began to prickle. Then Dave said, hoarsely, "How do you know?"

"I've seen him." She kept her eyes straight ahead. "He came to the house Sunday night."

"He's in the army," Julia went on. "He's a captain in the air corps. He's at the same field where Ric is."

"So—all this time—"

"All this time," she repeated flatly, "he had stayed away because he didn't want to come back!"

"The hound!" Dave snapped. "And I suppose now—when you're on your feet, when things would be easy for him—he has changed his mind?"

"He said," Julia gave a hard little laugh, "that he realized suddenly that he missed me!"

"Very suddenly—after twenty-five years! Did he have any excuse—any explanation?"

"He didn't offer any excuse. It seems he got bored with the war and wandered off to Paris. In the confusion after the armistice he got hold of some other man's papers. So he changed his name."

"Dave drew a relieved breath.

"Well, that lets you out, Dooley. He can't expect to be taken back, after this."

"I don't think he expects it. He didn't talk about it. He was very casual. You know Richard, that impervious, arrogant way he had? He hasn't changed."

"He came expecting you to swoon with delight at seeing him, no doubt, and when you weren't over come he kept a remote and slightly condescending attitude. Yes, I know."

"I don't know what he expected. He came in as coolly as though he'd only been gone a week. He asked about the children. I was so thankful neither of them was there. John I. was in a rage. He wouldn't even shake hands with Richard. I'm so sorry for John I. I ache all over."

"Chin up, Dooley. This puts an end to all the uncertainty—at least all the unease that has been making you unhappy so long."

"I wish I could see the end," she said.

"But it's perfectly clear," he argued. Then sharply, "You don't mean that you want him back—now?"

She shook her head. "He shamed me, Dave. I know that I was young and silly. I suppose I bored him after the first excitement of being in love with me cooled into commonplace responsibility, into the dreary chore of having to clothe and feed me, having the babies coming—all that."

"Dooley, you're not going to blame yourself for this man's worthlessness, his utter lack of decency or honor?"

"I have to blame myself, Dave. Another woman might have made him want to be a man, at least."

"Richard McFarlane had every chance. He threw his chances away. He deserves no sympathy. I won't let you harrow yourself like this."

She gave a little choking sigh. "I suppose I should try to act like an outraged wife. Perhaps I can when I've got over being stunned."

"The next move," Dave said in a calm, business-like tone, "is for you to get a divorce."

She shivered a little. "That's just it, Dave. I can't do it."

"What do you mean, you can't?"

"Twenty-five years of calous desertion isn't legal grounds for divorce, I don't know what would be."

"Of course I have grounds," she agreed, "but Richard isn't Richard now. He's Captain Roger Mackey of the air corps. Think what it would mean! A nation-wide sensation. A military investigation. A cheap story to spread in black head lines in the cheap press. Humiliation for me and for Richard's old father. And for Ric and Jill—Dave, I don't even dare to think of what it would do to Ric and Jill!"

"They aren't children, Dooley. They're adults and strong enough to bear the truth."

A Struggle of Torn Emotions

"Even if they are strong—and Ric isn't strong, Dave. I'm his mother, but I'm not foolishly blind. I know that Ric has a weak strain in him. But even agreeing that they are mature enough to face a ghastly situation like this, think of the cruelty of it. I'd be destroying the one fine thing I've been able to give them. I gave them a hero for a father—a dead hero—and I can't snatch that father away and show them a coward instead! It would do incalculable harm. To Ric especially. Can't you see what it would do to Ric, when he's so unbalanced anyway by the unbalanced recklessness now in the world? Can't you see that it would ruin him? He's proud. He'd despise me, undoubtedly. I can't do it, Dave."

"Why should your son despise you? You aren't talking sense."

"Because his father despised me—enough to abandon me. I'd be a pathetic figure in my children's eyes. I'd be pilled by people who have respected me. I can't do it, I can't!"

Dave leaned forward, his face gray and grave and weary. "All right, Dooley. If that's the way you feel, there's nothing I can say."

"But—how else can I feel?" Julia heard a voice that broke and cried, and was a little startled to discover that it was her own. "I'm trapped. There's no way out for me. You can see that, surely?"

"I don't know whether I see it or not, Dooley. I see you, bent on sacrificing yourself still further to this dream you've harbored all these years. Tell me one thing. Are you still in love with Richard McFarlane?"

She set her face, stilled its quivering.

"No, I'm not in love with him any more. I think that died long ago. I know now that it died. Not even a spark came alive when I saw him. I had only had one feeling—an outraged and terribly hurt indignation. He made me cheap in my own eyes. Dave, and that can be a horrible feeling. I was something that had been thrown away."

"Dave drew a relieved breath.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Kathleen Norris Says:

The Crime School for Children

Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.



"A New Mexico boy of 15 got his mother to lean over the bathtub to look down the drain for something, then cracked her over the head."

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

IT SEEMS to me that it is about time," writes Mary Pierce from Minneapolis, "for the mothers of America to do something about the crime wave on the radio. The late afternoon hours and early evening hours are the times when our children are free to listen to air programs, and those are the times when crimes of every description are exploited and featured, rough and vulgar voices sound through my house, and my children are prepared to chatter eagerly of fashions in which poisons can be administered, murders concealed, lies and theft used to further this purpose or that."

"The other night," her letter continues, "my husband, who is a professor of English, and I settled ourselves to listen to the program our two sons so much enjoy. The boys are 8 and 11. We heard not one, but seven crime stories in a single afternoon and evening. The whining voices of professional women, the violent threats of gangsters, the argot of criminals, all these were poured forth in a flood. Several of the sleuths who solved such puerile and childish mysteries as were concocted for these programs were accompanied by their delicate, refined sweethearts or wives, who casually joked over the murders who fell dead or wounded over their feet, and commented wittily to such victims as were destined for the electric chair. Pirates, robbers, prostitutes, thugs, gunmen, vile schemers of all sorts personified these dramas; the language was almost all vulgar abbreviations, or those phrases now so dimly familiar to us all; 'stick 'em up—come clean—sing—get yourself a mouthpiece.'"

A Movement Has Begun.

"Surely," Mrs. Pierce goes on, "all this must be having an effect upon our children. Why accustom them to gentle voices all day long, connect their grammar, even try to instill into them some of the rudiments of moral and self-controlled living, and then fill their minds and souls, just before bedtime, with the groans of the tortured, the suspense of danger, the cruelties of crime and the rattle of gunfire? Can we do anything about it, and what can we do?"

Yes, we can do something about it, I say in answer. A movement is already on foot to curb this dangerous excess of sensationalism, and with your help and the help of your club and church, it may well gain a valuable impetus within the next few months. Something was done to clean up the movies some years ago; it wasn't done completely, but no human effort ever is 100 per cent successful. To control the radio situation will be simpler, because we can decline to buy the products that are at present actually contributing to the delinquency of our children."

"Forbid the children to use the radio," sounds reasonable advice. But it isn't. For many of these programs are especially designed for children, the products they advertise are to be used by children, and in children's hours of leisure it is only fair that they should be able to look to the radio for entertainment. They might well look to it for much more; they might well be helped and inspired by it. But if it is looking too far ahead, and too hopelessly, at least we may insist that

EVIDENCE OF DAMAGE.

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"And just that one man killed four of them, and the police couldn't get a clue," a demure little girl remarked. "They tied her, and they told her they were going to kill her, and my little sister Joan got crying in the night about it."

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If giving them helpful and constructive and moral thoughts really is good for the rising generation, then supplanting these with a familiarity with the lowest and most dangerous characters and situations imaginable just as truly is bad. It is as if you gave that delicious five-year-old girl her supper of spinach, milk, ginger cookies, and followed it with lobster newburg, cocktails and a dash of cyanide of potassium.

If you're interested write to Mrs. Charles Hartigan, 1063 Thomas Jefferson street, Washington 7, D. C., and ask for information as to what is being done about this danger.

Why Do Babies Cry?

"When is a cry-baby not a cry-baby?" is a question physicians recently have been studying in Paris, France. Distracted mothers the world over will not be satisfied with their conclusions—that a cry-baby is just naturally a cry-baby.

One specialist decided a possible cause of continual crying was too strict adherence to a rigid schedule of feeding, toilet and sleep, making the child restless. Another thought irregular attention and picking it up whenever it cried, was the cause,

THAT DELICIOUS FIVE-YEAR-OLD GIRL...

...and the tough argot of the underworld. Even though the criminals always end up dead or in jail, the lesson that 'crime does not pay' is somehow lost on many young listeners. They hear, too, how stupid the police are, compared to some flashy private detective who solves the case in a jiffy. This sort of education does not make for good citizenship, certainly.

A mother asks Miss Norris what can be done about these crime programs. Miss Norris replies that an organization has been formed to combat this evil. If it can attract enough members, it can change the kind of stories that are being broadcast.

The crime school doesn't open up as soon as the regular school closes and the small receptive minds and souls don't plunge into the underworld for an hour or two every night of their lives.

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A TRIBUTE

Contributed
A number of good citizens have cooperated with the administration of Gould Academy to send the varsity basketball to the New England high school play-offs in the Boston Garden this week-end.

The members of the team should enjoy watching Patten Academy play in this tournament at Boston. It was Patten which beat Gould in the final game of the state series for Class B schools, just two weeks ago in the Lewiston Armory. No doubt, more than one of the Gould team will wish himself in the place of those boys from Patten. What ever waited thinking there is, we are sure that our boys will enjoy themselves. It is a fitting tribute to their athletic ability and their spirit that they should be on hand for a trip to the New England tournament.

We wonder, however, whether enough tribute has been paid to the team coach, Fred Anderson. Mr. Anderson is a truly devoted and experienced coach for putting Gould team in the tournament.

Just as an experienced and respected coach is the beginning of a team, so is a good team. The team that brought the Western Maine basketball team to the Gould team in the final game of the state series for Class B schools, just two weeks ago in the Lewiston Armory. No doubt, more than one of the Gould team will wish himself in the place of those boys from Patten. What ever waited thinking there is, we are sure that our boys will enjoy themselves. It is a fitting tribute to their athletic ability and their spirit that they should be on hand for a trip to the New England tournament.

A team that knows how to win and can win is a team that needs very careful handling. It is certainly true in the case of the Gould team. We are sure that Mr. Anderson is a coach of that kind. During the season of the Gould team, he was behind at the half and came out in the final periods to win. That is a demonstration of real coaching ability. It takes more than clever strategy, though of course strategy is part of the coach's stock in trade. It calls for astute handling of the players individually and collectively. Only a real coach is able to do it. Fred Anderson did it. He fired the boys with the spirit of a fighting heart. We cast a ballot for him as Bethel's Man of the Week. He is a builder of the American spirit.

LOCKE MILLS

Mrs. Lee Mills, Correspondent
The Farm Bureau met at the Legion Hall last Wednesday for an all day meeting. Miss Evelyn Lyman, II D A was present.

Mrs. Ruth Kimball and Mrs. Mary Andrews were hostesses at a brunch party at the former's home last Wednesday evening. Twenty six ladies were present. Mrs. Ann Kimball and Miss Bertha Kimball received the door prizes. Mrs. Mabel Farrington and Mrs. Mary Mills also received prizes.

Members of the Community Club met at the school house last Thursday evening where a sociable evening was spent and refreshments served.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Cross of Bethel were entertained in honor of their fifth wedding anniversary at a family dinner party on March 12 at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm Young. They were presented a pressure cooker and pyrex ware.

Mrs. Florence Swift was at Lewiston Friday.

Word was received last week of the death on March 16 at Jefferson of Charles Stowell. Mr. Stowell was a former resident of this place and for many years was associated in the lumber business here with his son, the late Arthur Stowell. Burial will take place here in the spring.

Mrs. Mary Fuller was at Lewiston recently.

Because of the whooping cough epidemic at Bryant Pond the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Noyes of Bryant Pond is playing for a while with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Swan.

WINDWOODSTOCK

James C. James Knott, Cor. Mrs. Hattie Brown recently visited her in her home and family at Mechanic Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buck, Mr. and Mrs. James Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Buck, and Mrs. Sherwood Buck were at Lewiston March 16.

Edward A. Buck of Farmington was a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Abbott. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hicker are in the hospital at Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cole and Mrs. Knott visited Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buck. Mr. and Mrs. George Chapman recently spent the week-end at Bethel.

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MIDDLE INTERVAL

Mrs. Augustus Carter, Correspondent
Teddy Carter was given a birthday party Wednesday in honor of his tenth birthday. Refreshments of birthday cake and ice cream were served. Teddy received many nice gifts. Those present were: Billy Penner, Joan Ward, Beverly Onofrio, Richard Onofrio, Joan Shepard, Robert Shepard, Patricia Gunther, Howard Gunther, John Gunther, Alvin Stevens, Ruth Stevens, Evelyn Winslow, Ann Carter, and the guest of honor, Teddy Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Ward and Roy Larvey and Pearl Daye attended the capping ceremony of their daughter Elizabeth at the C M G Hospital Thursday evening.

Raymond Buck had five hundred more chicks delivered last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Foster and son, Trafton, were in Rumford on Saturday.

HUTTON

Mrs. C A Judkins, Correspondent
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fuller have moved into their new home.

Wm Barnett and daughter, Miss Annie Barnett, Earl and Alotha Milligan all of Rumford were in town Sunday.

George French of Bethel called on his aunt, Mrs. Bertha Judkins Sunday.

Church services next Sunday will be at 11:30 A. M.

Mr. Plunkham, a paperhanger from Bethel worked for Mr. and Mrs. Wm Leach last week.

T A Durkee in better. He was out riding in the car one day recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Angevine and family of Bethel and Miss Carrie Angevine from Gould Academy were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Angevine.

Wm Leach, W E Hicks and C A Judkins were in Portland on business one day last week.

Henry Lane has bought a Ford Beach Wagon. He went to Auburn Tuesday this week and got it.

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NORTH NEWRY

Mrs. L. E. Wight, Correspondent
Church Services at North Newry will be held this Sunday, March 23 at 1:15 P M; 3 P M at Sunday River.

Mr. and Mrs. F W Wight and Mr. and Mrs. L E Wight attended the State Grange School of Instruction at Norway Saturday, the 15th.

Mrs. Hazel Newell and son, Charlie, of Bryant Pond were guests of her parents, Monday.

Everett Ferren and family of Andover were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. L E Wight.

Bear River Grange will meet in regular session, Saturday evening, March 22.

Mrs. R M Fleet entertained the Farm Bureau Wednesday, March 19.

C R Files of Stoneham called at L E Wight's Monday morning.

Sup Donald M Christie was in town Sunday.

Gordon Brown S 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Brown of Denmark, formerly of North Newry, has returned to Balmbridge, Md. for further assignment, after spending a few days with friends and relatives in Denmark and Newry.

SOUTH ALBANY

Leon Kimball visited his son, Ivan and family on Sunday.

George Wentworth was in Norway Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wardwell attended the Grange School of Instruction held at Norway on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Colby Robinson from Portland were dinner guests at Leon Kimball's Sunday.

Dr. Greenleaf was at John Spinnay's recently to see a cow.

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This is your Army, and voluntary enlistment is your choice. It must not fail. With your help it will not fail. The Army must continue to provide adequate occupation forces overseas, to supply these forces, and to help in keeping America strong and secure.

Your help and understanding can do much to encourage a steady flow of 3-year voluntary enlistments, necessary to sound training and the efficient performance of the Army's task.

When you discuss this subject with your sons, brothers, husbands or friends who may be considering an Army career, bear in mind the advantages offered by a 3-year enlistment. Among them are the choice of branch of service and of overseas theater where openings exist, and the opportunity for thorough training in valuable skills.

A job in the new Regular Army compares favorably with the average in industry, and has more opportunities for promotion than most.

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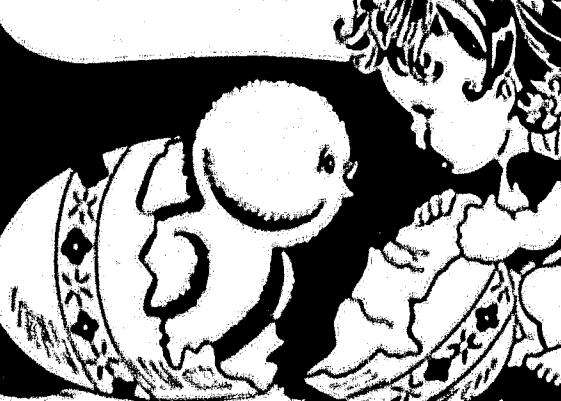
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Mrs. Rodney Howe, Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Falkenham and Beverly Akers of Andover were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Newton.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bartlett and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bartlett over the week end.

Mrs. Bruce Boyce returned to South Paris Tuesday after visiting her mother, Mrs. Doris Houle for several days.

Mrs. Granville Burns and Mrs. Lucille Morrissette of Norway were at S. B. Newton's Tuesday.

Mrs. Wayne Moore and daughter, June, of Norway were Saturday visitors at Mrs. Evelyn Harrington's.

Mrs. Rodney Howe was in Mexico Wednesday afternoon.

Pte Wm Hastings, USMC, returned to Camp Lejeune, N. C., Sunday after spending a three week leave at his home.

Nancy and Peter Haines, Grace and Lewis Smith Jr., Mary Coolidge, Clark and Dorothy Ann Bartlett and Freddy Haines all have the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Almon Coolidge are being congratulated on the birth of a son last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Howe were in Norway Friday morning.

The East Bethel Farm Bureau met Tuesday at the Grange Hall. Rug making was the subject with Mrs. Wilhelmina Fitzgerald of Norway demonstrating the correct method. She also brought many rugs with her. Many Bethel Farm Bureau members were present also.

East Bethel Primary School News

Ann Hastings, Reporter

Arlene and Phyllis Coolidge have a new baby brother. His name is Earl Almon Coolidge.

There was school on Saturday, because we wanted to make up for a stormy day.

Gary Smith was the first person to bring pussy willows to school. Some of us are gathering maple sap. The sap is running in good shape.

Mr. Christie brought us some more new books. They are "Panchito," "The Little Stone House," and "Children of Other Lands."

We are learning a dance for the opera. The opera is going to be April 25.

Serena has a very pretty new dress. It is pink with white flowers.

Nancy and Peter Haines were sick this week.

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WEST PARIS

Mrs. Geneva Tuell, Correspondent

Mrs. Alice R. Bryant

Mrs. Alice R. Bryant died at the Noyes Nursing Home Saturday afternoon, March 16. Mrs. Bryant fell and broke her leg two days previous to her death but had been in failing health for some time. She had lived for the past two years at the Noyes Nursing Home. She was born in Rumford, June 29, 1865, the daughter of Benjamin and Eliza Richmond. She was the widow of Willie Bryant. Surviving her are a sister-in-law, four nieces, two nephews. She was a member of the South Paris Baptist Church.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Rockingham officiating, Entombment Way-side Cemetery, West Paris.

The Bates Literary Club held a very interesting meeting Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Parker, Miss Agnes L. Gray spoke on Alaska and Finland and showed souvenirs. Mrs. Parker spoke on London and served an English tea in old English china.

Mrs. Harry Emery, who has been ill the past week is recovering.

Howard Emery who teaches at Governor Dummer Academy, South Byfield, Mass., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Emery.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan M. Andrews were in Portland Sunday to see his cousin Clifford J. Curtis who suffered a stroke Thursday following one suffered two years ago.

The Bates Literary meeting to have been held with Miss Clara Berry has been postponed to next

Monday evening when Miss Clara Berry will be hostess on Pioneer Street.

The Goodwill Society will hold on all day meeting next Thursday at the home of Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes when the group will dine at the Blue and White restaurant.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hammond of Gorham N. H. and Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Curtis and two children of Bridgton were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Curtis.

The L. C. Bates Men's Club and the Universalist Church choir held a Minstrel show Monday evening at the Gymnasium.

Mrs. Margaret Bryant

Mrs. Iva Lang of Locke Mills spent Wednesday with her mother, Mrs. Margaret Bryant.

Mr. and Mrs. Colby Ring called on their daughter, Mrs. Beattie Ring, Tubbs District, Saturday afternoon. When they came home a skunk was sitting on the door step. Needless to say, Mr. and Mrs. Ring sat in the car until Mr. Skunk left.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ring, Winn and Shirley, of West Paris were at Wilmer Bryant's Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hanscom went to the pictures at Bethel Monday night.

Wilmer Bryant and Mrs. Ray Hanscom were in South Paris Monday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Colby Ring went to Albany to see their son, Murray.

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AMERICAN MOTORISTS INSURANCE COMPANY, Chicago 40, Illinois

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1946

Real Estate \$2,274,714.41

Mortgage Loans 30,853.00

Collateral Loans 0.00

Stocks and Bonds 151,202,885.00

Cash in Banks 22,110,804.00

Agents' Balances 10,337,000.00

Accrued Premiums 2,100,000.00

Interest and Rents 12,457.90

All Other Assets 1,100,000.00

Gross Assets \$190,608,914.31

Deduct items not admitted 1,061,708.74

Admitted \$189,547,205.57

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1946

Net Unpaid Losses \$17,300,959.95

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Cash Capital 278,767.13

Surplus over all Liabilities 1,000,000.00

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Real Estate \$1,957,378.24

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Collateral Loans 0.00

Stocks and Bonds 62,310,302.87

Cash in Banks 9,117,741.00

Agents' Balances 1,131,847.14

Accrued Premiums 156,647.66

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I guess Spring is just around the corner by the crows. They are very plentiful here.

Wilmer Bryant was in Bethel Tuesday. His sister, Mrs. Lang of Locke Mills, went with him.

Mrs. Margaret Bryant has been ill again.

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NATIONAL ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILA.

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Cash in Banks 9,117,741.00

Agents' Balances 1,131,847.14

Accrued Premiums 156,647.66

Interest and Rents 62,741.71

All Other Assets 0.00

Gross Assets \$87,518,408.61

Deduct items not admitted 1,000,000.00

Admitted \$86,518,408.61

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1946

Net Unpaid Losses \$1,100,000.00

Unearned Premiums 3,273,321.00

All Other Liabilities 2,010,451.67

Cash Capital 1,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities 1,000,000.00

Total Liabilities and Surplus \$16,442,974.67

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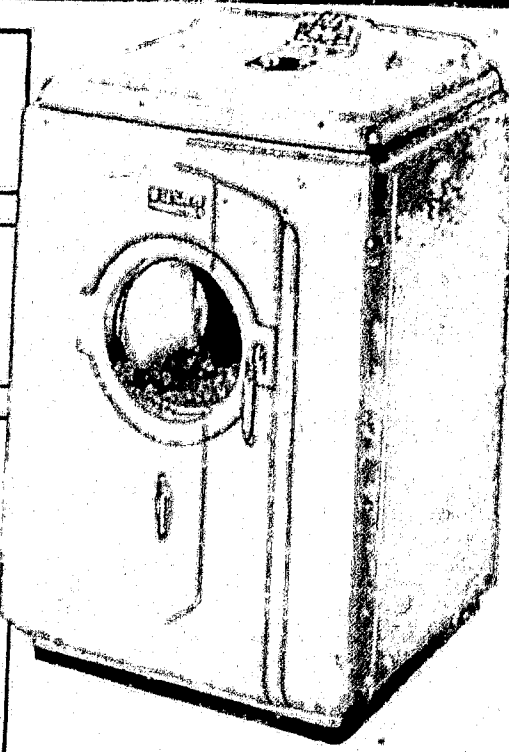
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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Rev. K. W. Hawthorne, Minister
Parish School 9:15 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Adult Class, 12:00 noon

METHODIST CHURCH
William Penner, Pastor
9:15 Church School, Miss Minnie Wilson, superintendent.

11:00 Morning Worship service.
Sermon theme: "Judas, the Betrayer of Jesus."
The Men's Brotherhood will meet at the church on Tuesday evening, March 25. Supper at 6:30.

The Union Lenten Service next Thursday evening will be held in the Methodist Church. Rev. Wilbur Bull of Watford will be guest speaker.

6:20 Youth Fellowship meeting at the Church.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
Sunday Services at 10:45 A. M. All are cordially invited to attend. "Matter" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon that will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist on Sunday, March 23.

ST. BARNABAS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rumford

Rev. F. C. Lightbourne, Tel. 1029-34
8:00 A. M. Holy Eucharist
9:30 A. M. Family Eucharist and Church School

11:00 A. M. Morning Prayer and Sermon
Bishop Loring will not be with us this Sunday, but God, we trust, will. Come and worship God.

BURN

March 6, to Mr and Mrs Arthur Hicker of No Woodstock, a daughter, Velma Madelyn.

March 12, to Mr and Mrs Almon Coolidge, a son, Earl Almon.

At Corpus Christi, Texas, March 18, to Mr and Mrs Richard Marsh, a son.

In Bethel, March 15, to Mr and Mrs Rodney Chase, a daughter, Dora Margaret.

MARRIED
At West Paris, by Rev Eleanor J. Forbes, Mrs Elizabeth Dunham and Ronald Ross, both of West Paris.

At Lewiston, March 7, by Rev Francis A. Mannello, Miss Marion Lapham of Albany and Raymond J. Arsenault of Gorham, N. H.

At Bryant Pond, March 1, by Alton Chase, Justice of the Peace, Miss Helen Robertson of Bethel and Murry Cummings of Bryant Pond. DIED

At West Paris, March 15, Mrs Alice R. Bryant, aged 81 years.

At Bethel, March 18, George Wheeler, aged 55 years.

At Norway, March 17, Arthur D. Bean, aged 76 years, formerly of Albany.

UNITED STATES BRANCH OF THE LONDON & LANCASHIRE INS. CO., LTD.

of London, England
ASSETS DEC. 31, 1946
Stocks and Bonds, \$5,564,489.87
Cash in Office and Bank, 798,689.60
Agents' Balances, 868,141.90
Interest and Rents, 37,916.33
All other Assets, 653,555.55

Gross Assets, \$8,922,792.76
Deduct items not admitted, 251,665.55

Admitted, \$8,671,127.21
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1946
Net Unpaid Losses, \$462,697.00
Unearned Premiums, 4,732,124.97
All other Liabilities, 353,356.95
Deposit Capital, 500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,592,348.33

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$8,671,127.21
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SKILLINGTON

Mr and Mrs James Johnston spent Sunday with Leslie Johnston and family.

Mrs Alice McAllister is confined to her home with the flu.

Alice Wright spent the week end with her father in Berlin.

Mrs Daisy McAllister was in Norway over the week end. Leslie Johnston has bought a new car.

Mrs Sophie Conner of West Bethel was at Walter Brown's Sunday.

Mrs Leslie Johnston and Miss Geneva Johnston were guests of Mrs Clayton Kendall at West Bethel Tuesday.

GREENWOOD CITY

Mr and Mrs Adam Waterhouse and children, Marela and Donald, of Portland were week end guests of Mr and Mrs Roland Hayes.

Mr and Mrs Clyde Morgan called on Mr and Mrs Frank Curtis at West Paris on Sunday afternoon.

Mr and Mrs Leonas Holt and son spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs Maynard Chase at West Paris.

Those having chicken pox this week are Ardell, Duane and Glenn Hayes and Betty Tamminen.

Harold Holt of South Paris called on his son and family Friday afternoon.

Carl Wyman and sister of Auburn were recent callers at their sister's, Mrs Fred Curtis.

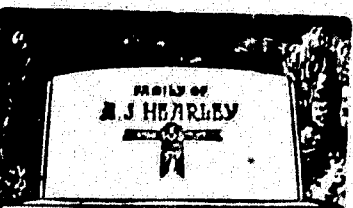
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The owner of any dog, 6 months old or over, MUST apply to the Town Clerk for a license for such dog, ON or BEFORE the FIRST DAY OF APRIL. The fee for dog licenses is as follows:

\$1.15 for Male Dogs.
\$1.15 for Spayed Female Dogs. (Provided that a certificate of spaying from a licensed Veterinary accompanies the application for a license or license of previous year presented.)

\$5.15 for Female Dogs.
\$10.15 for Kennel License. (Provided the number of dogs covered by this license does not exceed 10).

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ALICE J. BROOKS, Clerk, Town of Bethel.

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